## ASSIGNMENT 1

Textbook Assignment: "Boilers," chapter 1, pages 1-1 through 1-42.

- 1-1. A boiler may be defined as a closed vessel in which steam is produced as a result of the burning of fuel.
  - 1. True
  - 2. False
- 1-2. You are boiling water in an open container at sea level. What is the highest temperature the boiling water can reach when the burner is set for 400°F?
  - 1. 612°F
  - 2. 400°F
  - 3. 212°F
  - 4. 200°F
- 1-3. What value must increase when you want to increase the boiling point of water?
  - 1. Pressure
  - 2. Heat
  - 3. Volume
  - 4. Evaporation rate

- 1-4. You are boiling water in a closed container while maintaining a constant pressure on the steam and water within it. What is the temperature relationship between the steam and the boiling water?
  - 1. The steam temperature is higher than the boiling water temperature
  - 2. The temperature of the steam is inversely proportional to the temperature of the boiling water
  - 3. The temperature of the boiling water is higher than the temperature of the steam
  - 4. The temperatures of the steam and boiling water are the same
- 1-5. Superheated steam is steam at a temperature higher than the saturation temperature corresponding to pressure.
  - 1. True
  - 2. False
- 1-6. Which of the following is NOT a required criteria for a boiler to be considered satisfactory for operation?
  - 1. It must be safe to operate
  - 2. It must be able to generate steam at the desired rate and pressure
  - 3. It must be economical to operate
  - 4. It must have a steel floor

- 1-7. What authority establishes design rules for boilers?
  - 1. Society of American Military Engineers (SAME)
  - 2. American Welding Society (AWS)
  - 3. American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME)
  - 4. Department of Occupational Safety and Health (OSHA)
- 1-8. The headers in a sectional-header cross drum boiler are made of what type of material?
  - 1. Forged steel
  - 2. Polished brass
  - 3. Aluminum
  - 4. Cast iron
- 1-9. Gases are directed across the tubes of the sectional-header cross drum boiler a total of how many times before being discharged from the boiler?
  - 1. One
  - 2. Two
  - 3. Three
  - 4. Four
- 1-10. What number of plates go into the makeup of the box-header cross drum boiler?
  - 1. Five
  - 2. Two
  - 3. Three
  - 4. Four
- 1-11. What types of drums are used in the box-header longitudinal drum boiler?
  - 1. Horizontal or inclined
  - 2. Vertical or inclined
  - 3. Vertical or horizontal
  - 4. Longitudinal or vertical

- 1-12. What types of drums are used in the bent-tube boiler?
  - 1. Steam, water, and tube
  - 2. Tube, crosshead, and water
  - 3. Crosshead, tube, and steam
  - 4. Mud, steam, and water
- 1-13. Which of the following factors is a disadvantage of water-tube boilers?
  - 1. Little flexibility in starting-up
  - 2. Low productive capacity
  - 3. Considerable danger of disastrous explosion
  - 4. High construction costs
- 1-14. The Scotch marine boiler is classified as what type of boiler?
  - 1. Water tube
  - 2. Firebox
  - 3. Fire tube
  - 4. Bent tube
- 1-15. What advantage does the Scotch marine boiler have over other boilers for Seabee use?
  - 1. Its shell does not require reinforcing
  - 2. Its furnace is fired from the outside
  - 3. It is portable
  - 4. It is easy to clean the surfaces of the section below the combustion chamber

- 1-16. What condition is present when a fusible plug in a Scotch marine boiler blows?
  - 1. The water level in the boiler is high
  - 2. The water level in the boiler is low
  - 3. The plug's tin is intact
  - 4. The plug is covered with water
- 1-17. Which of the following factors is a disadvantage of the vertical fire-tube boiler?
  - 1. It is not portable
  - 2. It is not self-contained
  - 3. It has a limited capacity
  - 4. It requires too much floor space
- 1-18. A vertical fire-tube boiler is similar to
  - 1. Scotch marine boiler
  - 2. horizontal fire-tube boiler
  - 3. straight-tube boiler
  - 4. bent-tube boiler
- 1-19. The blowdown pipe of a vertical firetube boiler is attached to the
  - 1. top of the shell
  - 2. bottom tube sheet
  - 3. lowest part of the water leg
  - 4. outside row of tubes
- 1-20. When a stationary fire-tube boiler is required, the horizontal-return-tube type is popular for which of the following reasons?
  - 1. It has a relatively low initial cost
  - 2. It is adaptable to a variety of fuels
  - 3. Its replacement tubes are of uniform, size, length, and diameter
  - 4. Each of the above

- 1-21. What amount of pitch must a horizontal return tubular boiler have to allow sediment to settle towards the rear near the bottom blowdown?
  - 1. 1 to 2 inches
  - 2. 2 to 3 inches
  - 3. 3 to 4 inches
  - 4. 4 to 5 inches
- 1-22. What means are used in boiler operation to ensure that enough air is available for proper combustion?
  - 1. Chimneys
  - 2. Vents
  - 3. Breechings
  - 4. Draft fans
- 1-23. What boiler part must have a cross-sectional area 20 percent greater than that of the stack?
  - 1. Breeching
  - 2. Settling
  - 3. Damper
  - 4. Combustion chamber
- 1-24. What are the two types of fusible plugs?
  - 1. Steam-actuated and temperature-actuated
  - 2. Fire-actuated and temperature-actuated
  - 3. Steam-actuated and water-actuated
  - 4. Fire-actuated and steam-actuated
- 1-25. What type of fusible plug can be replaced without taking the boiler out of service?
  - 1. Temperature-actuated
  - 2. Fire-actuated
  - 3. Steam-actuated
  - 4. Water-actuated

- 1-26. At what interval should fusible plugs be replaced?
  - 1. Monthly
  - 2. Quarterly
  - 3. Semiannually
  - 4. Annually
- 1-27. A water column is connected at least 6 inches below the lowest permissible water level and at the top of the steam drum for what purpose?
  - 1. To bypass the gauge glass
  - 2. To indicate steam generation
  - 3. To control the high-water level
  - 4. To steady the gauge glass water level
- 1-28. A boiler equipped with a floatoperated feedwater control is protected against damage resulting from what condition?
  - 1. Low-water level
  - 2. High-water level
  - 3. Closed fuel supply valve
  - 4. Constantly operating feedwater pump
- 1-29. Other than the low-water cutoff, what operation(s) is/are controlled by the float-operated feedwater control?
  - 1. Operation of the feedwater pump
  - 2. Operation of the alarm bell
  - 3. Securing the burners
  - 4. All of the above

- 1-30. How many electrodes are contained in an electrode probe type of feedwater control?
  - 1. Five
  - 2. Two
  - 3. Three
  - 4. Four
- 1-31. What device allows the boiler operator to determine the water level in the boiler?
  - 1. Gauge cocks
  - 2. Gauge glass
  - 3. Try cocks
  - 4. Site glass
- 1-32. What boiler fitting is considered the most important?
  - 1. Air cock
  - 2. Feedwater regulator
  - 3. Safety valve
  - 4. Surface blow valve
- 1-33. What is the minimum number of safety valves required when a boiler has more than 500 square feet of heating surface?
  - 1. Five
  - 2. Two
  - 3. Three
  - 4. Four

- 1-34. What design feature is common in all boiler safety valves?
  - 1. They must be suitable for any type of installation
  - 2. They must open and close constantly for long periods of time
  - 3. They must open at a specified pressure and then close when the pressure drops slightly
  - 4. They must open completely at a specified pressure and close only after a specified pressure drop
- 1-35. When should the lifting lever on a safety valve be used to check the valve action and clear the seat?
  - 1. As soon as steam pressure starts to build up within the boiler
  - 2. When the pressure has reached 25 psi within the boiler
  - 3. When the pressure is at least equal to the safety valve setting
  - 4. When the pressure within the boiler is at least 75 percent of the safety valve setting
- 1-36. The injector feed system uses an injector that serves both as a boiler feeder and a
  - 1. standby feed unit
  - 2. cooler sprinkler
  - 3. main steam stop valve
  - 4. system flusher
- 1-37. When a steam injector is started, the water supply valve should be turned
  - 1. a quarter of a turn
  - 2. a half a turn
  - 3. a full turn
  - 4. all the way open

- 1-38. For a steam injector to operate properly, the water supply should not be hotter than
  - 1. 120°
  - 2. 140°
  - 3. 160°
  - 4. 180°
- 1-39. The root valve in the main steam line serves what function?
  - 1. To blow down a boiler
  - 2. To shut off steam in an emergency
  - 3. To connect a boiler to the auxiliary steam line
  - 4. To allow air to enter and escape the boiler
- 1-40. Floats are used in boiler instruments to control the
  - 1. pressure between inlet and outlet points
  - 2. incoming and outgoing flow of water
  - 3. mixed flow of air and fuel
  - 4. mixed flow of water and steam
- 1-41. Of the following functions, which one is NOT a function of a pressure control?
  - 1. To control the pressure in the boiler
  - 2. To secure the fuel-burning equipment when pressure reaches a predetermined cutout
  - 3. To control the flow of mixed water and steam
  - 4. To start the fuel-burning equipment when pressure drops to the cut-in point

- 1-42. A modulating motor controls the operation of the oil valve and the air shutters on a boiler to regulate the rate of firing. What factors causes the modulating motor to operate?
  - 1. Fuel oil pressure
  - 2. Feedwater regulator
  - 3. Pressure-regulating valve
  - 4. Electrical imbalance created by pressure change signals to the pressuretrol
- 1-43. The rate at which combustion air is delivered can be changed by throttling the intake to the blower by opening or closing the air damper.
  - 1. True
  - 2. False
- 1-44. Normal atomizing pressures are generally within what range?
  - 1. 75 to 85 psi
  - 2. 95 to 105 psi
  - 3. 95 to 120 psi
  - 4. 105t o120 psi
- 1-45. When the pilot flame is not established and confirmed, the flame failure control must create a safety shutdown within how many seconds after lighting?
  - 1. 15 seconds
  - 2. 10 seconds
  - 3. 7 seconds
  - 4. 4 seconds

- 1-46. What meter is used in controlling the relationship between air required and air actually supplied to bum the fuel in a boiler?
  - 1. Draft meter
  - 2. Steam and air flowmeter
  - 3. Air analyzer
  - 4. Air pressure meter
- 1-47. A draft gauge is essential to boiler operation safety.
  - 1. True
  - 2. False
- 1-48. What is the most widely used method for internally treating boiler water?
  - 1. Alkaloid-chlorine-tannin
  - 2. Benzene-hexcloride-tannin
  - 3. Borax-sulfate-tannin
  - 4. Alkaline-phosphate-tannin
- 1-49. Which of the following tests is NOT used to test boiler water?
  - 1. Tannin
  - 2. Caustic alkalinity
  - 3. Sodium sulfide
  - 4. Phosphate
- 1-50. When performing a phosphate test, you should not use concentrated stannous chloride that is more than
  - 1. 1 month old
  - 2. 2 months old
  - 3. 3 months old
  - 4. 6 months old

- 1-51. When a phosphate test is being performed, which of the following readings would indicate a high level of phosphate?
  - 1. 70 ppm
  - 2. 60 ppm
  - 3. 50 ppm
  - 4. 40 ppm
- 1-52. You are collecting a boiler water sample for a caustic alkalinity test without tannin. The water temperature should be
  - 1. 160°F or above
  - 2. 120°F or below
  - 3. 80°F or above
  - 4. 70°F or below
- 1-53. What test is run to determine the degree of acidity in a boiler water sample?
  - 1. Caustic alkalinity test with tannin
  - 2. Caustic alkalinity test without tannin
  - 3. Sodium sulfite test
  - 4. pH test
- 1-54. The condensate pH normal acceptable range is between
  - 1. 6 and 6.5
  - 2. 7 and 7.5
  - 3. 8 and 8.5
  - 4. 9 and 9.5
- 1-55. Of the following cleaning methods, which one is NOT a method of cleaning boiler firesides?
  - 1. Wet-steam lancing
  - 2. Sweating
  - 3. Cold-water washing
  - 4. Wire brush and scraper cleaning

- 1-56. The method used most often to clean superheaters and economizers is by hot-water washing.
  - 1. True
  - 2. False
- 1-57. When performing wet-steam lancing, you should ensure the steam pressure is maintained between
  - 1. 50 to 100 psig
  - 2. 60 to 120 psig
  - 3. 80 to 170 psig
  - 4. 70 to 150 psig
- 1-58. What cleaning method is used to remove fireside slag from the convection superheaters?
  - 1. Wet-steam lancing
  - 2. Sweating
  - 3. Hot-water washing
  - 4. Wire brush and scraper cleaning
- 1-59. What is the most common type of tube cleaner used to clean the watersides of the generating tubes?
  - 1. Hydraulic turbine-driven
  - 2. Pneumatic turbine-driven
  - 3. Electric turbine-driven
  - 4. Hydropneumatic turbine-driven
- 1-60. Before cleaning boiler tubes, you should ensure that there is
  - 1. varying size brushes for varying size tubes
  - 2. a checklist of all tubes requiring cleaning
  - 3. adequate ventilation and lighting
  - 4. no damage to the safety valves

- 1-61. Which of the following factors is NOT an advantage of using acid to clean a boiler?
  - 1. Less outage time is required
  - 2. Less dismantling of the unit
  - 3. Performs a more through job
  - 4. Less safety equipment required
- 1-62. Which of the following types of acid is frequently used for cleaning boilers?
  - 1. Citric
  - 2. Hydrochloric
  - 3. Sulfuric
  - 4. Phosphoric
- 1-63. What type of acid is used to remove boiler waterside deposits?
  - 1. Citric
  - 2. Hydrochloric
  - 3. Phosphoric
  - 4. Sulfamic

- 1-64. When inhibitors are not added, acid solutions attack boiler metal as readily as they attack the deposits.
  - 1. True
  - 2. False
- 1-65. Of the following chemical solutions, which one is NOT a neutralizing solution?
  - 1. Soda ash
  - 2. Trisodium phosphate
  - 3. Sulfite phosphate
  - 4. Sodium tripolyphosphate